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ASSOCIATED CORONAVIRUS**

Mail Stop Amendment
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO APRIL 16, 2007 OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in reply to the April 16, 2007 Office Action. A reply was due on July 16, 2007. Applicants request three-month extension of time to October 16, 2007. Therefore this response is being timely filed. Authorization is given to apply any charges due to Deposit Account No. 08-0219.

In reply to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.